

**NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS  
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CONCORD, NH 03301**

**MEETING MINUTES –March 3, 2008**

The March 3, 2008 meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners convened at 3:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Eliot L. Paisner, DMD, President  
Neil S. Hiltunen, DMD, Vice President  
Gerald A. Smith, DMD  
Marshall Baldassarre, DMD  
Linda M. Seedner, RDH  
Stacy A. Plourde, RDH  
Charles F. Post, DMD

Absent: Ronald J. Hrinda, DMD; Hon. Vivian Desmarais, Public Member

The Board approved the minutes of February 4, 2008 as amended.

Hearing – 4:00 p.m., Kenneth R. Williams, DDS

The Board voted to grant a Motion to Continue requested by Sarah T. Blodgett, Hearing Counsel in order to ensure that the Notice of Hearing was received by Kenneth R. Williams, DDS at a new and heretofore unknown address.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

1. Statutes and Rules

a. Statutory Proposals

- 1) SB 393 (Independent Dental Hygiene Practice) – Tabled by the Senate. Majority vote required to readdress.
- 2) HB 1208 (Independent Dental Hygiene Practice) – Voted inexpedient to legislate by House sub-committee. Goes to full House on March 12, 2008.
- 3) HB 1487 (Advanced Dental Hygiene Practitioner) – An amended version has been referred to the full House. The Board voted not to take a position on this bill, at this time.
- 4) SB 404 (Dental Residencies) – Passed by Senate.

b. Rule Proposals

- 1) Rules 2008-I – The Board voted to begin the rulemaking process.
2. Professional Assistance Program – The Board is in the process of establishing a professional assistance program pursuant to RSA 317-A III (c). The Board will seek proposals to meet Board requirements as the next step in the process.
3. CT Scan – The Board received an anonymous email regarding the use of CT Scans in dentistry. The Board voted to reply stating that the requirements of Den 207.02 address the complaint process and can be read on the Board's website.
4. Dental Assisting – The Board discussed answers to questions posed to the Board by the Dental Assisting National Board.
5. Informational
  - a. Sarah T. Blodgett, Esq. – Attorney Blodgett will be working with the Board. She is newly assigned to the Consumer Protection Agency.
  - b. Teeth Whitening – The Board voted to seek more information regarding the whitening of teeth in spas and malls.
  - c. ADEX Meeting
  - d. WREB-Scoring
  - e. CODA-Actions
  - f. CODA-Manchester Residency
  - g. ADSA-Educational Qualifications
  - h. DANB-Candidate Guide
  - i-k Hygienists Independent Practice – The Board will ask the dental boards of three states that have some form of independent hygienist practice whether such practice has been a positive experience.
  - l. 9/11 Dentist
  - m. Dentist in the Office
  - n. Records Transfer

## **QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE**

1. **Public Health Summary Reports**

The Board voted to accept the report of the APD Sealant Program/Upper Valley Smiles.

2. **Anesthesia Permit Application**

The Board voted to issue a permit to Scott C. Howell, DDS to practice dentistry with an anesthesiologist who will administer deep sedation/general anesthesia to Dr. Howell's patients.

3. Sedation Permit Application

The Board voted to table this matter while it determines what the dentist is planning to administer.

4. Dental Licensure

- a. Out-of-State Consultant – In answer to an inquiry from an out-of-state dental utilization review company, the Board voted to issue a license restricted to reviewing dental insurance claims. The subject dentist presently has an active New Hampshire license.
- b. Yoon Chang, DDS – The Board voted to deny licensure to Dr. Chang because he has not submitted proof that he has graduated from an ADA accredited school with a DDS or DMD degree in general dentistry.
- c. Renee M. Pellegrino, DDS – Dr. Pellegrino has not practiced since October, 2003. To obtain an active dental license in New Hampshire she will need to submit documentation of her continuing education, register in a refresher course by October 31, 2008, and complete the course.
- d. Retirement – In answer to a question from a retiring dentist as to whether he needs to have an active dental license while he is introducing/discussing patients with the dentist who is buying his practice, the Board will advise that an active license will provide more liability protection. If the dentist wants an inactive license, the Board will issue one upon application.

5. Hygienist Anesthesia Permit

The Board will ask Meghan Chamberlain, RDH for documentation that she has been administering local anesthesia in another state since 2006.

6. Hygienist Applications Approved

Jane Y. Tolpiner, RDH  
Karolyn J. Thomas, RDH

Members of the Board voted unanimously unless otherwise indicated.

Members of the Board voted unanimously to go into non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct, noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3 and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Raymond J. Jarvis, DMD  
Executive Secretary